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17 September 1963
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Military Division, CIA

ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

FROM: Chief, CIA/PID (MPIC)

SUBJECT: Verification of Vehicle Count and Location at Holguin SAM Site, Cuba

REFERENCES: (a) Requirement C-CL-3-80,513
(b) CIA/PID Project C 1177-63

1. This memorandum is in response to your requirement dated 26 August 1963 requesting a photographic study of Holguin SAM Site, Cuba, to determine the position, number, and activity of the vans and vehicles associated with the site.

2. (a) The photography of Holguin SAM Site between [REDACTED] revealed that the number of vans in the guidance system has remained constant. The variation in numbers of vans reported in the IPIR's is due to the fact that the FAN SONG or FRUIT SET radar has two large vans organic to its operation and considered to be part of the FAN SONG radar system. Three generators, vans, and a power van are situated behind the radar (red arrow).

(b) The trucks reported on the IPIR's are usually those parked in an area which serves as a motor pool for the site. Since this is a semi-tactical situation, vehicles are needed for transportation of equipment and personnel as well as logistics. Therefore, the number of vehicles in the area will vary from mission to mission. It is safe to assume that some of these trucks are carried in the Table of Organization and Equipment as prime movers for the launcher and vans in the guidance area (see blue star on enlargement). The blue triangle indicates missile transporters which are also standing by to be used if needed for tactical deployment. The blue circle indicates a billeting and headquarter area.

(c) The two van trailers reported on [REDACTED] are located at the motor pool and were at the site previous to that time. Their dimensions are approximately [REDACTED] for the guidance/equipment vans in the guidance area. Their location and size do not suggest that they are back-up equipment for the guidance system.

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3. The photo analyst on this project is [redacted] and he may be contacted on extension [redacted] should you have any further questions regarding this project.

4. This project is considered to be complete.

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